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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : KRAUS Serial No. : 10/517,693

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Examiner : Lynne Renee Edmondson

Dated: January 8, 2007

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a)

Sir:

The Office Action dated September 6, 2006 provided for a shortened statutory period for response of three months.

The shortened statutory period expired December 6, 2006.

Since the attached response is being filed within the first month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) Applicant attaches a Credit Card Payment Form and respectfully requests the Examiner to charge the appropriate petition fee of \$120.00 (fee code 1251).

Respectfully submitted for Applicant(s),

By:

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SHOULD ANY OTHER FEE BE REQUIRED, THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO CHARGE SUCH FEE TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 13-0410.